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Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, USN Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Ton:

Thank you for your memorandum of 9 May. We are refining the KIC/KEP process as it evolves and working to sharpen the focus on the priority intelligence interests of consumers as well as hold down the number of questions.

It is not my intention that the KIQ/KEP process should impact adversely on departmental intelligence interests. The reverse should be the case. I believe we have seen in the Yom Kippur war how departmental assets supported national needs and national assets supported departmental needs. I would hope that the intelligence priorities reflected in the KIQs would provide focus to both these complementary processes. Using KIQs as a management tool should thus be beneficial to both national and departmental efforts, even though, of course, they do not cover all requirements, either national or departmental.

As you perceive, the question of user satisfaction is integral to the whole KIQs evaluation process. It is my plan to have the NIOs deal with all senior departmental, as well as national, entities in their work and provide the first cut at evaluation of performance against the KIQs. Their report will be provided to the USIB for review and subsequently to the NSCIC.

I very much appreciate the attention you have given to the KIC/ KEP process. Like you, I am confident we will be able to develop it into a useful and meaningful management tool for the community.

Sincerely,

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